

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Tuesday, January 16, 2007, the following members were present:

Greg Jergeson, Chairman
Doug Mood, Vice Chairman
Brad Molnar, Commissioner
Robert H. Raney, Commissioner
Ken Toole, Commissioner

APPEARANCE

Al Brogan, Legal Division
Leroy Beeby, Utility Division

(23) In the matter of D2006.12.176-Northwestern Energy. Northwestern Energy Application for an automatic rate adjustment and tracking for taxes and fees.

Commissioner Raney moved to issue the Draft Order presented by staff as a final order subject to minor, non-substantive edits in D2006.12.176. Commissioner Mood seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

GREG JERGESON, Chairman

DOUG MOOD, Vice Chairman

BRAD MOLNAR, Commissioner

ROBERT H. RANEY, Commissioner

KEN TOOLE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Connie Jones
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Wednesday, January 17, 2007, the following members were present:

Greg Jergeson, Chairman
Doug Mood, Vice Chairman
Brad Molnar, Commissioner
Robert H. Raney, Commissioner
Ken Toole, Commissioner

APPEARANCE
Kate Whitney, Administrator
Utility Division

(24) In the matter of Senate Bill 217 for the 2007 Legislative Session.

Commissioner Raney moved that the Public Service Commission would support the Senate Bill 217. Commissioner Jergeson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

GREG JERGESON, Chairman

DOUG MOOD, Vice Chairman

BRAD MOLNAR, Commissioner

ROBERT H. RANEY, Commissioner

KEN TOOLE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Connie Jones
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Thursday, January 18, 2007, the following members were present:

Greg Jergeson, Chairman
Doug Mood, Vice Chairman
Brad Molnar, Commissioner
Robert H. Raney, Commissioner
Ken Toole, Commissioner

Appearance
Gary Duncan, Utilities Division

(25) In the matter of N2007.1.2-Qwest Corporation. On January 2, 2007 Qwest Corporation filed for Commission approval a Multi-State Agreement between Qwest and Cellco Partnership.

Commissioner Mood moved to approve the Multi-State Agreement between Qwest and Cellco in N2007.1.2. Commissioner Molnar seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

(26) In the matter of N2006.12.189-Qwest Corporation. On December 19, 2006, Qwest filed Tariff Transmittal QC06-22 Calling Card Revisions.

Commissioner Toole moved to approve Qwest Tariff Transmittal QC06-22 Calling Card Revisions in N2006.12.189. Commissioner Raney seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

(27) In the matter of N2006.12.193-CenturyTel. On December 22, 2006, CenturyTel filed Tariff Transmittal 06-13.

Commissioner Toole moved to approve CenturyTel Tariff Transmittal 06-13 in N2006.12.193. Commissioner Raney seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE
Wayne Budt, Administrator
Transportation & Centralized Services Division

(28) In the matter of T-06.35.ST-R&B Limousine Service LLC. On November 2, 2006 R&B Limousine LLC, Victor, Montana filed an application to transfer PSC No. 9445 to Royal Limousine Service LLC, Hamilton, Montana.

Commissioner Mood moved to approve R&B Limousine Service LLC, Victor, Montana transfer of PSC No. 9445 to Royal Limousine Service LLC, Hamilton, Montana in T-06.35.ST.

Commissioner Toole seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

(29) In the matter of T-06.31.PCN-Valet Limousine Service LLC. On October 23, 2006, Valet Limousine LLC, Missoula, Montana filed an application to remove seating restrictions from existing authorities issued under PSC No. 7172 and to further revise Sub K issued under PSC No. 7172.

Commissioner Mood moved to approve Valet Limousine Service application in T-06.31.PCN to remove seating restrictions from existing authorities issued under PSC No. 7172 and to revise Sub K in PSC No. 7172. Commissioner Raney seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

(30) In the matter of TN2332. Bayside Disposal, Inc. dba Disposal Service of Montana, Lewistown, Montana requests permission to continue the lease of PSC No. 9412 to the city of Cut Bank, Municipal Entity, Cut Bank, Montana for a one year period from January 18, 2007 to January 18, 2008.

Commissioner Toole moved to approve TN2332 lease of PSC No. 9412 from Bayside Disposal, Inc. dba Disposal Service of Montana, Lewistown, Montana to City of Cut Bank, Municipal Entity, Cut Bank, Montana for a period of one year from January 18, 2007 to January 18, 2008. Commissioner Jergeson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

(31) In the matter of TN2333. Whitefish Taxi LLP, Whitefish, Montana, is requesting a reduction of service hours shown in their tariff TN2333, PSC No. 9437.

Commissioner Toole moved to approve Whitefish Taxi LLP, Whitefish, Montana request for reduction of service hours in TN2333, PSC No. 9437. Commissioner Mood seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

(32) In the matter of Commission Minutes for the week of January 8, 2007.

Commissioner Raney moved to approve the minutes for the week of January 8, 2007.

Commissioner Mood seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Appearance

Martin Jacobson, Legal Division

(33) In the matter of N2006.12.184-Northwestern Energy. Northwestern Energy 2006 natural gas procurement plan, discussion, direction and action on Protective Order:

Commissioner Raney moved to grant Protective Order in N2006.12.184. Commissioner Mood seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Appearance
Al Brogan, Legal Division

(34) In the matter of D2006.8.114. Havre Pipeline Company has filed an application to Increase rates and charges for Farmstead Service.

Commissioner Jergeson moved to approve Havre Pipeline Company application in order No. 6771B of D2006.8.114 to increase rates and charges for Farmstead Service. Commissioner Raney seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE
Robin McHugh, Administrator, Legal Division

(35) In the matter of D2006.6.81-Qwest Corporation. Qwest Corporation residence and business customer incentive programs docket. The Commission suspended the procedural schedule pending action on the Qwest motion.

Commissioner Raney moved to approve Qwest's motion to compel response. Commissioner Toole seconded the motion. Commissioner Raney withdrew his motion and Ken withdrew his second.

Commissioner Raney moved to approve the motion to compel response in Q001 and to deny Qwest's motion to compel response in Q005a. Commissioner Mood seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE
Martin Jacobson, Legal Division

(36) In the matter of N2007.1.1-Cut Bank Gas. Cut Bank Gas filed application for term protective order related to annual reporting of compensation for employees, management and directors.

Commissioner Raney moved to grant the term Protective Order in N2007.1.1 relating to compensating employees, management and directors in Cut Bank Gas. Commissioner Mood seconded the motion, which passed 3-2. Commissioner Toole and Molnar voted no.

APPEARANCE
Robin McHugh, Administrator, Legal Division
Martin Jacobson, Legal Division

(37) In the matter of N2006.4.47 and 48-Ronan Telephone and Hot Springs Telephone. Ronan Telephone and Hot Springs Telephone has filed a request for a Term Protective Orders.

Commissioner Mood moved to grant the Term Protective Order requested in N2006.4.47 and 48 for compensation information for certain employees. Commissioner Raney seconded the motion, which passed 4-1. Commissioner Toole voted no.

APPEARANCE

Kate Whitney, Administrator
Utility Division

(38) In the matter of Out of State travel for staff. Candace Beery will travel to Boise, ID., January 30-31 for Northern Tier Transmission Group and MISO meeting in Indianapolis, IN, February 1-2:

Commissioner Raney moved to approve the out-of-state travel for Candace Beery. Commissioner Mood seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Wayne Budt, Administrator
Transportation & Centralized Services Division
Robin McHugh, Administrator, Legal Division

(39) In the matter of T-06.17.COM-Suhr Transport. Commission direction to staff on Order No. 6790.

Commissioner Raney moved to issue a notice of inquiry with respect to ARM 38.3.601(1)(b) and 38.3.602 (1)(b). Commissioner Toole seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

(40) In the matter of T-06.31.PCN-Valet Limousine. Valet Limousine filed for PC&N amending existing certificate-Royal Limousine Motion to allow protest:

Commissioner Mood moved to deny the motion of Royal Limousine to file a late protest to the Valet application. Commissioner Raney seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

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